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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In an attempt to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the U.S. Patent Office the following references, which were found during the prosecution of a corresponding Japanese patent application:

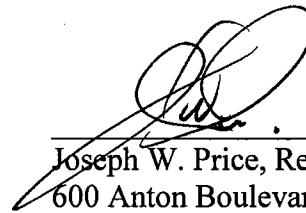
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Japanese Publication No. 11-110883 w/English Abstract only
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WO Publication No. 97/20314 w/English Abstract only
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A copy of the foreign references and Form PTO-A820 are attached.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would help further the prosecution of this case, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed telephone number.

Very truly yours,

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